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CLARETS—
CHATEAU MARGAUX.
CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts.
1884. GRAVES. " "
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COURACAO.
ANGOSTURA, Bitter and Orange
BITTERS. &c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and
SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.
GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &
S. BOWNE, pints and quarts.
DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the
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ALE and PORTER, in hogheads.

**SPECIALLY SELECTED
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Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
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BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

**MILNER'S PATENT FIRE-PROOF
SAVES, CASH and PAPER
BOXES,** at Manufacturer's Prices.

Hongkong, December 1, 1883. 1043

Insurances.

**THE STRAITS INSURANCE COM-
PANY, LIMITED.**

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company are
prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE
RISKS to all parts of the World, at current
rates.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, November 5, 1883. 885

**NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.**

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above
Company, are authorized to Insure
against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

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COMPANY.**

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.
If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1887. 100

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—
Marine Department.
Policies at current rates, payable either
here, in London, or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872. 436

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—
Monsieur, German brig, Captain W. N.
Moller.—Wieder & Co.

Joseph Nicholson, Brit. steamer, Capt.
G. Harrison.—Adams, Bell & Co.

NAUSENIK, American brig, Capt. A. B.
Weeks.—Russell & Co.

RADIAN, American ship, Captain J. W.
Sherman.—Douglas LaPratt & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

**THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.
The Co.'s Steamship
Auditor.

Port on MONDAY, 24th Inst., at 6 p.m.
Manila Cargo will not be received after
Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 22, 1884. 519

TO LET.

No. 25B, PRATA CENTRAL.
Nos. 4, 7 and 8, SEYMOUR TERRACE.
No. 16, HOLLYWOOD ROAD.
No. 7, GARDEN ROAD (known as 'HALL
PERVILLE').

Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, March 22, 1884. 516

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS. Mar. 22, 1884.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid- up.	Reserve.	Working Account.	Last Dividend.	Closing Quoted Value.
BANKS.							
H.K. and S'hai Bank.	60,000	125	125	4,063,361.8	57,045.23	22.00	126
HSBC.	1,000	200	200	...	...	11.14	200
Yongtze Ins.	8,000	25	25	50,000	576,391.00	18.25	25
Union Ins. Soc.	2,000	125	125	...	...	18.25	125
China Traders Insurance.	24,000	83.33	25	600,000	107,411.65	22.7	84
O'Connell Ins. Office	10,000	200	50	...	...	10	200
Chinese Ins. Co.	1,000	1,000	200	100,378	3,907.18	3	1,000
H.K. Fire Ins.	8,000	250	50	885,000	235,231.00	82	250
China Fire Ins.	20,000	100	20	516,378	106,366.49	83.60	100
KEAM C'FANIES. H.K. C. and M. Sternbent.	8,000	100	75	215,000	53,691.80	6	119
Ins. China S. Sav. Co.	120,000	10	10	...	...	15	10
China & Manilla S.S. Coy., Lt.	3,500	100	all	...	...	do.	100
MISCELLANEOUS. H.K. & W'p'oa Dock.	10,000	125	125	18,000	4,151.58	4	125
H.K. and China Gas Co.	5,000	12.5	10	67,758.14	1,144.18	...	12.5
H'kong Hotel.	2,000	100	100	...	...	2.90	100
China Sugar Co.	9,000	100	100	...	...	6.28	100
H'kong Ice Co.	1,250	100	100	24,250	543.88	10	100
H'kong Bakery Luzon Sugar Co.	600	50	50	6,000	656.32	10	50
First T.M. Ing & Smelting Company.	3,000	50	all	...	...	First year	50
Selangore Tin Mining Co. of Shanghai.	2,500	100	all	...	...	do.	100
LOANS.							
Chi. Imp.	1874	6,275.6	100	all	...	June 30 Dec 31	100
" "	1877	16,040.6	100	all	...	Feb. 28 Aug. 31	100
" "	1878	8,897.1	500	all	...	April & Oct.	500
" "	1881	8,565.1	500	all	...	June & Dec.	500
Sugar Debit- ment, 1880.	600	500	all	8	...	June & Dec.	500

* For 5 months to 30th Jan.—Dividend for 1883 and Bonus of 25 per cent.—To 30th April
1883.—4 For year 1882.—1 For half year ended 31st Dec. 1883.—5 For 1883.

EDWARD GEORGE, Share Broker.

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have been instructed
by the COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE
MINT, China, to sell by Public Auction, on
WEDNESDAY,

the 26th day of March, 1884, at 11 a.m.,
at Her Majesty's Ordnance Stores, Queen's
Road East, the following

THE FOLLOWING
GOVERNMENT STORES:—
BOAT AWNINGS, BLANKETS, CANVAS,
CORDAGE, RIGS, SAILS, CAST-IRON WROUGHT
IRON, LEATHES, COTTON, LINEN and WOOL-
LEN ARTICLES, SPEY, TINDER, TIN, PRO-
LONGS, OLD TIPS, OAKS, PICKING OAKS,
EMPTY CEMENT BARRELS, BENTING, IRON
DRUMS, UNBREADED BED MATS.

Also,
THE FOLLOWING

ARTICLES OF CLOTHING, viz.:—
GREAT COATS, CAPS, SERGE and TWEED
TROUSERS, BOOTS, ASKIE, HELMETS, WATER-
PROOF COATS and KIT BAGS.
&c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in
Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All
faults and errors of description at Pur-
chaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.
All Lots to be cleared within 48 hours.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 22, 1884. 514

NOTICE

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at 11 A.M., ON
TUESDAY,

the 8th of April, 1884, at the British Con-
sulate, Shanghai, Canton, by Order of the
Auctioneer, H. M. B.'s Office of
Works, Shanghai, the LEASE of LOTS
38 and 39 of the British Concession, at
Shanghai, subject to the following Condi-
tions, namely:—

1. The Lots will be put up at an upset
price of \$750 each.

2. The Lots shall be knocked down to the
highest bidder at or above the upset
price, but the sale shall not be con-
sidered conclusive until the approval
of H. M. B.'s Minister at Peking and
the Lords Commissioners of
H. M.'s Treasury be obtained to the
proposed purchaser, who shall de-
posit with H. M.'s Consul a sum of
\$100 per lot on the fall of the ham-
mer, such deposit to be returned,
without interest, to the intending
purchaser in the event of his offer
not being approved within six months
from the date of sale. In the event of
the intending purchaser withdrawing
his offer within the same time, he shall
be liable to forfeit the deposit of \$100 to
H. M.'s Government.

3. The Form of Lease under which the Lots
will be held to be the same as that
now in force in regard to other Lots
on the Concession, a copy of which
can be seen upon application to
H. M.'s Consul, Canton.

H. F. HANCOCK,
Acting Consul.
22nd March, 1884. 513

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Claymore*, Captain GUL-
LAND, having arrived from the above
Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading to
the Undersigned for countersignature, and
to take immediate delivery of their Goods
from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Steamer will be at once landed and stored
at Consignees' risk and expense, and no
Fire Insurance will be effected.

Optional cargo will be forwarded on to
Yokohama, unless notice to the contrary be
given before 5 p.m. To-day, 22nd Inst.
All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Undersigned on or before
the 31st Inst., or they will not be recognised.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, March 22, 1884. 518

THEATRE ROYAL.

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THIS (SATURDAY) NIGHT,
the 22nd March, 1884.

**LAST NIGHT
OF THE
GRAND DRAWING-ROOM
PERFORMANCES,**

THE CELEBRATED
**LYNCH FAMILY
BELLRINGERS,**
AND
**INSTRUMENTALISTS,
AND
VOCALISTS.**

(ORGANIZED 1867).

From the Principal Halls of Great Britain,
India, and Australasia.

**ENTIRE CHANGE OF
PROGRAMME.**

TO-NIGHT'S PROGRAMME.

PART I.

1. Overture—Madame Angot,
Lecocq.—Professor A. STATHAM.

2. Bells—'Watch
on the Rhine,'
'Favourite
Hornpipe'—BELLRINGERS.

3. Characteristic
Impersonation
—'Babies on
our Block'—Mr. J. S. FARRON.

4. Bells—'Write
me a Letter
from Home'
as performed
successively
throughout
their travels—BELLRINGERS.

5. Dutch Im-
pensation—
'Tick Tick'—Mr. J. S. FARRON.

6. Bells—'Silver
Lute'—Vio-
lana (Mont-
gomery) (Ring
the Bell Watch-
man)—BELLRINGERS.

7. Selection on
the Musical
Glasses—Mr. H. LYNCH.

8. Duet—'The
Messrs. J. S. FARRON,
Guards'—Mr. W. W. LYNCH.

Intermission of Ten Minutes.

1. Piano Solo—'Il
Trovatore'
(Statham)—Professor A. STATHAM.

2. Bells—'Nancy
Lee'—Hamp-
stead Heath,
with Chime
Variations—BELLRINGERS.

3. Characteristic
Impersonation
—'Fizz, Fizz'—Mr. J. S. FARRON.

4. Selection on
the 'Clock
Bells'—Mr. W. W. LYNCH.

To-day's Advertisements.

UNION LINE.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.
The Steamship
Claymore,
Captain GULLAND, will be
despatched for the above
Ports TO-MORROW, 23rd Inst., at 6 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 22, 1884. 517

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
March 21, 1884:—
Claymore, British steamer, 1,697, W. A.
Gulland, London Jan. 31, and Singapore
March 16, General.—RUSSELL & Co.

March 22:—
Greyhound, British steamer, 227, D.
Scott, Pakhoi March 17, and Hoihow 10,
General.—ADAMS, BELL & Co.

Hai-king-ching, Chinese gunboat, from a
cruise.

Hai-tung-hung, Chinese gunboat, from a
cruise.

Douglas, British steamer, 982, Samuel
Ashken, Foochow March 18, Amoy 19, and
Swatow 21, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP
Co.

Jeddah, British steamer, 994, J. E. Geary,
Singapore March 16, General.—CHINESE.

Latin, French gunboat, from a cruise.

City of Peking, American steamer, 3,120,
G. G. Barry, San Francisco Feb. 16, and
Yokohama March 16, Mails and General.
P. M. S. S. Co.

DEPARTURES.
March 22:—
Siamese Ocean, for Bangkok.

Massilia, for Saigon.

Passing, for Shanghai, 43 Chinese.

Daube, for Bangkok.

Remus, for Manila.

Jeddah, for Amoy.

Fannie, for Yokohama.

Claymore, for Yokohama.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.
Per *Claymore*, from Singapore, &c., 25
Chinese.

Per *Greyhound*, from Pakhoi, &c., 26
Chinese.

Per *Douglas*, from Coast Ports, Messrs
Bain, Brownlow, Christie, Johnson and
Moses, and 411 Chinese.

Per *Jeddah*, from Singapore, 71 Chinese,
and 312 Chinese and 18 boys for Amoy.

Per *City of Peking*, from San Francisco,
&c., Mr. S. J. Gower, and 221 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
Per *Massilia*, for Saigon, 150 Chinese.

Per *Passing*, for Shanghai, 43 Chinese.

TO DEPART.
Per *N. Gibson*, for Callao, 3 Europeans,
and 6 Chinese.

Per *Greyhound*, for Hoihow, &c., 50 Chi-
nese.

Per *Pha Chom Kiao*, for Swatow, &c.,
100 Chinese.

Per *Kwantung*, for Coast Ports, 4 Euro-
peans, and 200 Chinese.

Per *Daube*, for Bangkok, 20 Chinese.

Per *Remus*, for Manila, 2 Europeans, and
12 Chinese.

Per *Jeddah*, for Amoy, 150 Chinese.

We are informed that the S. S. *Remus*, in addition to her conveying the small steamer *Runy*, will also take to Manila a steam launch for Messrs McLeod & Co. The launch is stowed on deck and occupies the midship portion of one side of the deck.

To-day is the eighty-seventh anniversary of the birth of William, Emperor of Germany, he having been born in the year 1797. The men-of-war in harbour dressed ship in honor of the occasion and fired the usual salvo at noon. We understand that the members of the German community among us will, as has been their wont for years past, celebrate the auspicious event in their usual hospitable and convivial manner at the Club Germania, this evening.

We are informed that, with reference to the application for indemnity made by the members of the Police force who lost their personal effects in the fire which destroyed the Police Hulk on the 26th ult. an intimation from the Executive Council has been received to the effect that no private claims for compensation will be entertained, but that all Government property destroyed will be replaced. This seems rather hard on the men who lost all their things while attempting to save Government property. Of course the administration will make good its own losses as it is only transferring the money from one pocket to the other.

The following is the 'Order of the Day' for the meeting of the Legislative Council on Wednesday next:—

1. The Attorney General to move the second reading of a Bill, entitled 'The Opium Ordinance, 1884.'
2. The Attorney General to move that the Council go into Committee on the Bill entitled 'The Medical Registration Ordinance, 1884.'
3. The Attorney General to move the second reading of the following Bill:—A Bill entitled 'An Ordinance for the naturalization of William Dobereck.'
4. The Honorable Wong Shing to ask whether it is the intention of the Government to bring in, this Session, a Bill for the more stringent repression of public gambling.

THERE were only two cases of any interest brought before the Police magistrates to-day. In the first of these an old offender, of the hawker persuasion, was charged with robbing, with violence, from the person of a trader just arrived from Penang. The thief was perpetrated on the Prawn Central, at 5.30 p.m. yesterday, in broad daylight, in fact, and in the presence of two complainant's friends who had also landed that day from a steamer from Penang. The defendant was assisted by three or four other men, one of whom caught the victim by the heels, while two others seized his arms, defendant paying his attention to three gold rings on the complainant's fingers and some silver dollars in his purse. A knife was used on the poor man's wrist to make him give up his hold of the purse, which was cut open and two dollars extracted. Complainant's friends had meanwhile summoned the police, and the defendant was caught red-handed. The rings and dollars had, however, been handed over to one of the accomplices who escaped with them. Though the defendant was only twenty-five years of age, four previous convictions for larceny, &c., were proved against him, and the two magistrates together sentenced the culprit to two years' hard labour.

The other case was one in which a Chinese widow from Canton was charged with buying an Annamite girl of 16 years of age for purposes of prostitution, and a Chinese seaman named Chun Alum was charged with unlawfully bringing the girl into the Colony.

Mr Wilson appeared on behalf of the second defendant in the case, which was remanded till the 25th instant, bail being refused.

SIR HARRY PARKES has been appointed to represent Her Majesty at the Court of Seoul as well as that of Peking. We may conclude, therefore, that the treaty with Korea has been ratified, and Sir Harry will present the ratification as well as his credentials to the Korean Government some time in May or June. The news of the appointment will be received with satisfaction by Sir Harry's many friends in the East, and will further have the effect of removing all doubts as to Korea's national status in Great Britain's eyes.—*Japan Mail*.

'CONVERSATION' Dinner Cards, just now fashionable in New York, have been found and found wanting in this country a year or two since. They consist of two cards folded together, and tied with a ribbon, with the name of the guest on one side, and that of the hostess on the reverse. On untying the ribbon and opening the cards a subject for conversation is found written inside, and on this topic the gentlemen and the lady took down to dinner are expected to talk.

GENERAL Van Buren, the United States Consul General at Yokohama, has instituted an action for slander against Mr Thomas H. Tripler of Yokohama. \$5,000 damages are claimed. The case was practically heard on March 13th before the United States Minister, the Hon. J. A. Bingham, but judgment was postponed for a few days to enable the Court to consult certain authorities on a point raised by the defendant's counsel. The slanderous statement is alleged to have been made at the Yokohama United Club on the 31st December, and was set out by the plaintiff in his petition as follows:—

"He (the plaintiff meaning) went to the Kendo and in an underhand manner got them (the Japanese authorities meaning)

to sell him (the plaintiff meaning) 'the consular buildings' (meaning that the plaintiff, in an unfair and improper manner, that is by unfair and improper statements, or representations, induced the Japanese authorities to sell to him—the said plaintiff—the building occupied by the offices of the United States Consul-General, and for the use of the court and jail attached thereto, 'for twenty-two hundred yen.' 'He' (the plaintiff meaning) 'had no right to buy 'them' (meaning the consular buildings) at all. It is contrary to law' (meaning that the plaintiff in making such alleged purchase, had violated law). 'He has swindled the government' (meaning that the plaintiff, in making such alleged purchase, had swindled the Government of the United States, of which plaintiff was and is an official, and that the plaintiff had been thereby guilty of a criminal offence). 'The Department of State has been informed of it, but has taken no notice: but old Frelinghuysen will not be there forever, and when he goes we will get him out' (meaning that an accusation has been prepared by defendant or some other person accusing the plaintiff of the alleged act in his part heretofore referred to and forwarded to the department of state of the United States of America at Washington, of which said department had taken no notice whatever; but that the Honorable F. T. Frelinghuysen, Secretary of State of the United States, would before long, cease to continue in that office, and some other person would become Secretary of State, and that then the plaintiff should be deprived of his official position through the efforts of the defendant and others assisting him.)

In his reply the defendant stated:—

That the said defendant denies that he spoke and published of and concerning the said plaintiff, the alleged defendant of words in the petition set forth or any of them, and says that he is in possession of the grievances alleged in the said petition.

The said defendant further says that some time during last year he wrote and sent a letter to the Hon. Secretary of State of the United States, at Washington, D.C., U.S. of America, of and concerning the purchase by the said plaintiff, as Consul-General of the United States at Kanagawa, of the premises and buildings occupied by the Consul-General of the United States there, as he, the said defendant lawfully might do, believing, as the said defendant then believed, that it was in the truth and in fact the case, that the said plaintiff had purchased the premises and buildings aforesaid as Consul-General, and that it was to the interest and benefit of the people of U. S. that the said fact should be known.

The said defendant further says that he, on or about the time of the alleged grievance set forth in the petition of the plaintiff, in the said letter to the Hon. Secretary of State aforesaid, did criticize the acts of the plaintiff as such Consul-General aforesaid, and that he, the said defendant, as a citizen of the United States, resident of Japan, may and might justly and properly criticize the acts of said plaintiff as an official of the United States, believing as the said defendant then and still believes, and as it was true that the said acts, namely, the purchase of the before-mentioned consular premises and buildings by the said plaintiff as Consul-General aforesaid, were committed by him, the said plaintiff, and that the same were improper, and that he was for the interest and benefit of the people of the United States that the same should be made known.

'THE BUFFS' ATHLETIC SPORTS.

Managing Committee:—Major Gleson, Captain Somerset, Lieut. Jerratt, Lieut. Daugherty.

Secretary:—Lieut. Colonel Robson, Major Howarth, Capt. Chippindall.

Sub-Committee:—Sergeant Major Gleson, Colour Sergeant Harris, Colour Sergeant Gilles, Clerk of the Course: Capt. Somerset.

Judges:—Messrs. J. Howard, J. Howarth, J. Barker.

The 'Grand old Buffs' held their annual athletic sports to-day, on the Cricket Ground. This year their efforts in this line were much less ambitious than they were last year, on what account we do not know.

Probably the weather experienced last year discouraged the committee as much as anything. Under the best of atmospheric conditions, athletic sports at the Happy Valley, while that place remains in its present state, will never prove half so attractive as they do on the well kept and suitably located Cricket Ground. From a three days' carnival last year, the sports this year were confined to one day's programme. The powers that regulate the rain and sunshine were again engaged in a conflict, and it was a struggle from more till dusk as to who would gain the mastery. On the whole the sunshine, though it never succeeded in actually breaking through the clouds, had the best of the struggle, for which competitors and spectators were alike truly thankful. Once, in the afternoon, it looked as if the rains were to be copious, but by and bye the clouds cleared off, and with them, the rain. There was not the same brilliant gathering of ladies in the stand this afternoon, and hardly so many of the male section of the community present, as there were last Saturday at the Amateur Athletic Sports. There was, however, a fairly good attendance. Among those present we noticed His Excellency Sir George Bowen, the Misses Bowen, His Excellency Major General Sargent, His Sargent, the Hon. W. H. Marshall, and others. The various events were contested throughout with great spirit, the men, from the oldest veteran down to the youngest recruit, entering into the sport with great gusto. The only performances worth special notice are those of Drum Major Gleson, whose times in the 100 yards and quarter mile race are remarkably good, considering the extremely heavy sudden state of the ground. In the tug of war, Regiment versus All Comers, the 'Buffs' were completely out of it. In point of physique they were inferior to all the other teams competing except the volunteers, who we think they could have beaten easily.

The arrangements were admirably carried out by the gentlemen who were entrusted with the performance.

During the afternoon, the proceedings were pleasantly enlivened by the performance of a selection of music by the splendid band of the Regiment, under the leadership of Bandmaster Quinn.

The following is a report of the various events:—

1.—PUTTING THE SHOT (16 lbs. weight), with a follow. First prize, \$2, 15 marks; second prize, \$1, 5 marks.

Colour Serg. Gleson, Drum Major Gleson, and Ptes. Hodges, Jarvis, Connolly, Brennan, Nevills and Humphreys competed.

Hodges, a big, powerful man, made the best put, which was three feet nine inches less

than Jackson's throw (without a follow) in the Amateur competition on Saturday last.

Pts. Hodges (G. Company), 30 feet. 1. Drum Major Gleson (B. Comp.), 28 feet 1 in. 2. Pte. Nevills (F. Company), 27 feet 3 in. 3.

2.—BROAD JUMP.—First prize, \$3, 24 marks; second prize, \$2, 8 marks.

Entries:—Pte. Swindell, Pte. Taylor, Pte. Marchand, Lance Corp. Brown, Pte. Sharaball.

The only one of the competitors who exhibited anything like form was Taylor, whose jump, considering the nature of the ground, was fairly good.

Pte. Taylor (G. Company), 18 feet 1 in. 1. Pte. Swindell (B. Company), 17 ft. 2 in. 2.

3.—TROWING THE CRICKET BALL.—First prize, \$2, 10 marks; second prize, \$1, 5 marks.

Entries:—Drum Major Gleson, Ptes. Vasy, Marchand, Humphreys, Corp. Fox, Pte. Boulton, and Pte. Hart.

Drum Major Gleson easily sent the ball a good deal further than any of the other competitors.

Drum Major Gleson (B. Comp.), 93 yds. 10 in. 1. Pte. Marchand (B. Comp.), 89 yds. 7 in. 2. Pte. Humphreys (D. Comp.), 87 yds. 3 in. 3.

4.—HIGH JUMP.—First prize, \$3, 24 marks; second prize, \$2, 8 marks.

Entries:—Pte. Taylor, Lance Corporal Brown, Pte. Swindell, and Pte. Donnelly.

The jumping was of a very poor nature. Pte. Taylor showed the best form, Donnelly and Swindell ran each other very hard for second prize. The best jump was half an inch less than that made by B. Brags at the School's Sports.

Pte. Taylor (H. Company), 4 feet 6 in. 1. Pte. Donnelly (G. Company), 4 feet 4 in. 2.

5.—RINGS.—Rings (under two year's service, 200 yards). First prize \$3, 15 marks; second prize \$2, 5 marks.

Entries:—Taylor, Russell, Raven, Field, Bell, Hobson, Cheney, O'Malley, Owsden, Shovelton, T. Yor and Dowson.

Russell got decidedly the best of the start, and, running in very good form, increased his lead until at that time of local 10 yards behind the leader, started beautifully, and, breasted the tape just about a hand's breadth in front of Russell. Time, 24 1/2 sec.

Pte. Taylor (F. Company), 1. Pte. Russell (D. Company), 2.

6.—N. O. OFFICERS' RACE (100 yards). First prize, \$2, 10 marks; second prize, \$2, 10 marks.

Entries:—Drum Major Gleson, Corps. Dundas, Fox, Bagley, Toop, and Moreland.

Drum Major Gleson had the easiest task possible to beat his rivals, who were completely eclipsed. Gleson came in a long way ahead at a very easy pace in 11 1/2 sec.

Drum Major Gleson (G. Company), 1. Corps. Dundas (G. Company), 2. Corps. Fox (D. Company), 3.

7.—ALL COMERS' RACE (100 yards). First prize \$4; second prize \$2.

Entries:—Corp. Gleson, A.R.C.; Brahmam, N.C.; Gunner Stevenson, R.A.; Gunner Whitehead, R.A.; Gunner Barter, R.A.; and Hayden, R.N.

Barter took the lead at the start and kept it, and came in first about two yards ahead of Whitehead, who was in turn one yard ahead of Stevenson. Time, 13 1/2 sec.

Gunner Barter, R.A., 1. Gunner Whitehead, R.A., 2. Gunner Stevenson, R.A., 3.

8.—QUARTER MILE RACE. First prize, \$2, 10 marks; second prize, \$2, 10 marks.

Entries:—Pte. Kirby, Pte. Green, Corp. Adams, Pte. Winder, Drum Major Gleson, Pte. Marchand, Pte. Shenon, Pte. Sharaball, Corp. Wilkins, Pte. Tapp.

The big field of runners made a very pretty appearance in the race. One false start was made, but at the second attempt a very even start was effected. Gleson was decidedly in the ascendant as he was as pretty as has ever been seen in Hongkong, and he was certainly in the front in a little time had a decided lead of his fellows. He ran at a good pace, and without having to make the slightest effort he came in first in 9 1/2 seconds, 20 yards ahead of Winder, who only came in a yard in front of Pte. Kirby.

Drum Major Gleson (G. Company), 1. Corp. Winder (B. Company), 2. Pte. Kirby (A. Company), 3.

9.—VETERANS' RACE (over 15 years' service, buy's service not to count) 100 yards. First prize, watch presented by His Excellency Major General Sargent, 24 marks; second prize \$2, 8 marks.

Entries:—Colour Sergeant Gleson, Corp. Morgan, and Ptes. Duffell, Owsden, Payne, Morris, Casey, Bill, Mallens, Humphreys, Frost, Dowson and Shaw.

This race was run in heats. The men received a yard handicap for every year's service. Mallens and Gleson came in first and second, respectively, in the first heat with only a few inches between them. Time 12 1/2 sec.

Time 12 1/2 sec. Duffell, Shaw and Morris in the second heat. Time 12 1/2 sec. The final heat was won by Mallens, who came in about two feet ahead of Gleson. Duffell made a good third. Time 12 1/2 sec.

Pte. Mallens (H. Company), 1. Colour Serg. Gleson (B. Company), 2. Pte. Duffell (H. Company), 3.

10.—JOCKEY RACE (80 yards). First prize \$2, 5 marks; second prize \$1, 5 marks.

Entries:—Taylor and Kirby, Andrews and Wilson, Bush and Wotton, Marchand and Kenney, Fox and Shepherd, Donson and Osborne, Sullivan and Bell, Woollett and Smith, and Mann and Drury.

This race was run with one man of each couple mounted on the other's shoulders. It created considerable amusement, as there were several rather comical falls. It resulted as follows:—

Bush and Wotton, 1. Mann and Drury, 2. Kirby and Vaughan, 3.

11.—HALF MILE RACE (prizes presented by H. E. Major-General Sargent, C.B.) First prize \$5, 40 marks; second prize \$3, 20 marks; third prize \$2, 10 marks.

Entries:—Pte. Haunahan, Day, Bird, Lance Corp. Kennedy, Pte. Sharaball, Tapp, Denison, Woollett, Mann, Adams, Taylor, Bell.

This was a very poor race.

Pte. Haunahan (B. Company), 1. Pte. Day (F. Company), 2. Pte. Kennedy (B. Company), 3.

12.—HURDLE RACE (120 yards, 10 flights). First prize \$4, 36 marks; second prize \$2, 18 marks; third prize \$1, 9 marks.

Entries:—Corp. Brown, Pte. Kirby, Pte. Taylor, Corp. Drury, Pte. Swindell, Corp. Dundas, Pte. Bowditch, Pte. Tapp, and Pte. Fisher.

This was run in heats. The first heat was won by Corp. Brown, Dundas and Drury, who came in first, second and third, respectively. Time 20 1/2 sec.

The first and second heats were won by Pte. Swindell, Taylor (P) and Raily. Time 24 1/2 sec.

The winners in the first heat were the placed men in the final heat in the same order. Falls were numerous. Brown was the only one who jumped in anything like decent style. The last heat was done in 20 1/2 sec.

Corp. Brown, 1. Dundas, 2. Drury, 3.

The rain at this stage came down pretty freely, and interfered considerably with the proceedings.

13.—100 YARDS RACE. First prize, watch, 36 marks; second prize, \$2, 18 marks; third prize, \$1, 9 marks.

Entries:—Drum Major Gleson, Lance Corp. Brown, Pte. Shenon, and Lance Corporals Drury, Wither, Woods, and Hasted.

Gleson again won easily, thus gaining a third watch. Time, 10 1/2 sec.

Drum Major Gleson (G. Company), 1. Corp. Brown (G. Company), 2. Pte. Shenon (G. Company), 3.

14.—OBSTACLE RACE.—Open to the Garrison. First prize \$3; second prize \$2.

Entries:—Corp. Broadhurst, Pte. Russell, Gunner Cotton, R.A., Privates Smith, Taylor, Gilmore, R.N., Fisher, Mann, Brahmam, R.N., Pte. Shenon, Hayden, R.N., Marchand, Lance Corp. Coward, Ptes. Bell, Clarke, Lance Corp. Wilkins, Pte. Day, and Lance Corp. Drury.

This event caused great excitement to the spectators. Most of the competitors were thoroughly well equipped when they came in.

Hayden, R.N., 1. Lance Corp. Wilkins, 2. Brahmam, R.N., 3.

15.—THREE-LEAGUE RACE (80 yards). First prize \$2, 10 marks; second prize \$1, 5 marks.

Entries:—Drum Major Gleson and Corp. Dundas, Drum Reilly and Bowditch, Ptes. Marchand and Raven, Corp. Hasted and Pte. Kirby, Pte. Fisher, Pte. Day, and Pte. Russell, Lance Corp. Wilkins, Pte. Bell, Clarke, Lance Corp. Wilkins, Pte. Day, and Lance Corp. Drury.

This event caused great excitement to the spectators. Most of the competitors were thoroughly well equipped when they came in.

Drum Major Gleson (G. Company), 1. Corp. Dundas (G. Company), 2. Corp. Reilly (D. Company), 3.

16.—CONSOLATION RACE (200 yards). First prize \$2, 10 marks; second prize \$1, 5 marks.

Entries:—Corp. Wood, Pte. Kirby, Lance Corp. Broadhurst, Corp. Adams, Pte. Gilmore, R.N., Pte. Fisher, R.N., Pte. Day, and Pte. Russell, Lance Corp. Wilkins, Pte. Bell, Clarke, Lance Corp. Wilkins, Pte. Day, and Lance Corp. Drury.

This event caused great excitement to the spectators. Most of the competitors were thoroughly well equipped when they came in.

Corp. Adams (F. Company), 1. Pte. Kirby (D. Company), 2. Lance Corp. Broadhurst, 3.

TUG OF WAR.—Regiment versus all Comers. First prize \$10.

Great interest was manifested in this event, which brought out representative teams from the Police, Volunteers, Royal Artillery, and an company of men from the Royal Marine Artillery and Royal Marine Infantry. As is now usual in all tugs-of-war in which the Police team are entered, our bobbies were unhesitatingly picked out as the victors. To-day's team from the Police were certainly in no respect inferior either in height, weight or muscle to those sent forth in former days to do battle for the honour of the 'boys in blue.' It was decided that the Regimental team should pull against the Police first. When the teams came forward, little doubt was felt as to the result. The Volunteers and the Royal Artillery pulled next; and the latter, a fine body of strong men, carried away the rope from our local defenders with ridiculous ease. The Volunteers struggled gamely, but their supplies and weight were too great for them to retain the rope in the least. 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